

House Resolution No. 493

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State youths who admirably demonstrate their true potential as lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders through the excellence of their accomplishments as Explorer Scouts; and

Whereas, Michael Dixon has attained considerable distinction as a member of the Washington Police Explorer Post who joined on August 4, 2000, at the age of fourteen; and

Whereas, during his eight-year-long sojourn with the Washington Police Explorer Post, Michael Dixon rose through the ranks as an Explorer, Sergeant, and Captain, which rank he held twice through election by his fellow Explorers; and

Whereas, Police Explorer Michael Dixon earned the Exploring Leadership Award, a Community Service Award, a Crime Prevention Award, and the Drug Abuse Awareness Award and also attained Emergency Preparedness Proficiency and Law Enforcement Service Proficiency; and

Whereas, in addition to attending National Exploring Conferences in 2002, 2004, and 2006, Michael Dixon had the distinct pleasure to help present and retire the colors and to sing the National Anthem at the 2004 National Conference in Atlanta, Georgia; and

Whereas, in July 2007, Michael Dixon served as a Youth Leader for the week-long Saint Louis Area Law Enforcement Explorer Academy, which was held in Babler State Park and attended by approximately 125 youths and adult leaders; and

Whereas, Michael Dixon, in his role as a Police Explorer, has assisted in the scheduling, coordinating, and carrying out of the police department's role with Washington Town and Country Fairs, DWI checkpoints, and many downtown events; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse legislative actions in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri citizens as Michael Dixon:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal accomplishments garnered by Michael Dixon during his long tenure with Explorer Scouts and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in life for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Michael Dixon, son of Michael and Janet Dixon of Washington, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Kevin Threlkeld
District No. 109

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 493, adopted February 11, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker